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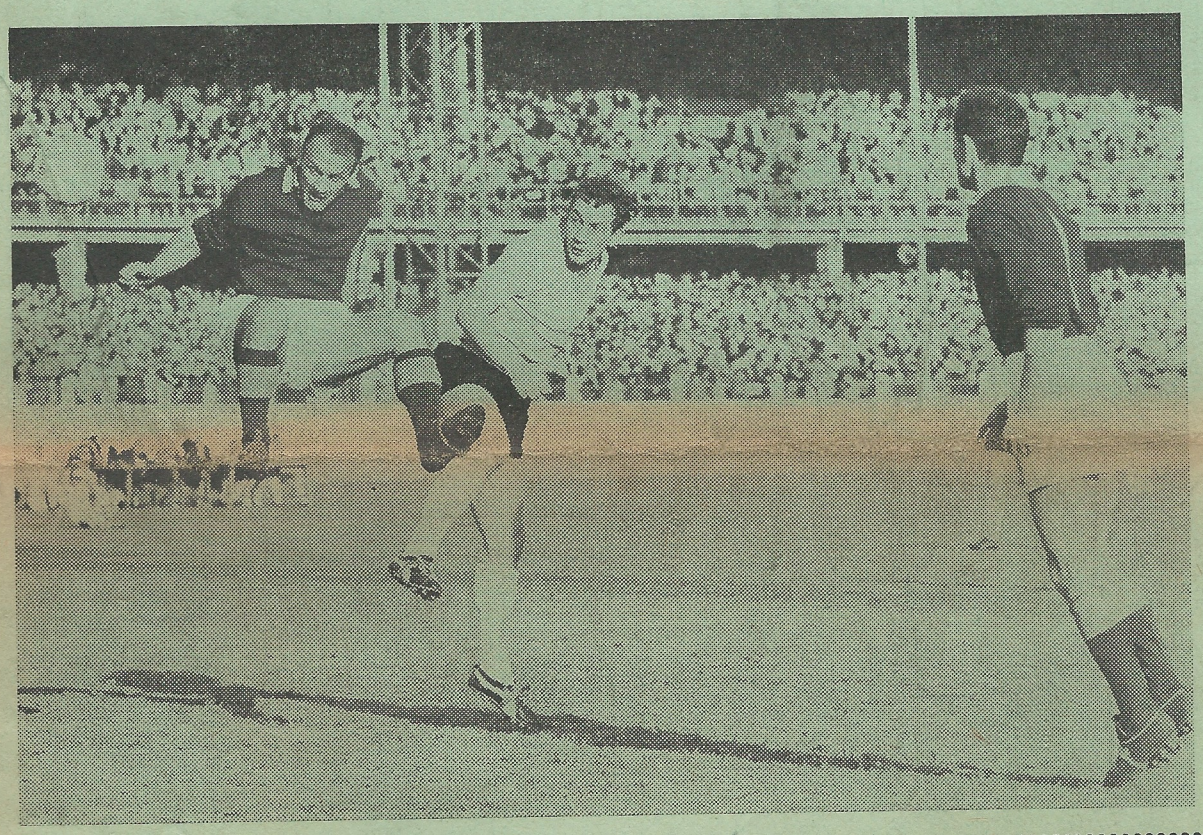
Australia could win this!

ROMANS MAY BE PUSHED TO SET HOT PACE NEXT MONDAY

TOP: Roma stopper Giacomo Losi, a full Italian international and the best man on the field last Sunday, heads the ball clear from NSW centre-forward Archie Blue in last week's match at the Sydney Showground. BELOW: Francesco Cappelli of Roma and Ricardo Campana of NSW having one of their many midfield duels. — Pictures by Les Brady.



Now that AS Roma have proved through their three matches so far that they are disinclined to show their best under tour conditions, there is nothing left but to plug madly for an Australian win against them on Monday.

The Romans' second — and last — appearance in Sydney at the Showground could end in defeat for the Italian professionals.

The Australian XI., with only an expected few non-Sydney performers, seems to have an excellent chance of fully extending the Romans.

And only if they do will we have a chance of seeing a stirring battle with Roma being forced to lift their game.

Can lift their game

Mind you, don't think for a moment that the Romans cannot play better than they did last Sunday.

All their players are accomplished in the arts and crafts of the game.

But being on a tour, they seem to be content just to win, ever so narrowly.

Under these conditions the Australian XI must be given a chance on Monday.

They should throw caution to the wind, hoping that Roma will not swamp them even if they did open up the game.

Should the Australians manage to score two or three goals, Roma would be literally forced to pull out all brakes and go flat out.

A lot will depend on just how much cohesion the Australian XI will show.

As the interstate players will only arrive in the last minute to join their Sydney colleagues — and as they are certainly not cuts above them anyhow — perhaps it would have been better to forget about fielding "Australia" altogether.

A slightly revised NSW or Sydney team could have done just as well, if not better.

Still, Australia it is and let's hope they will push the Romans to their limit.

What the crowd wants, above all, is entertainment, skill and thrills.

If the Romans regard this match again as something that must be won and nothing else, the finicky Sydney fans will always remember their tour with some measure of disappointment.

Let's hope the match will be a thriller, something the first one wasn't, in which case the fans will more than get their money's worth.

PROBABLE LINE-UPS

A.S. ROMA

1 F. CUDICINI
2 G. TOMASIN — 3 M. ARDIZZON
5 G. LOSI
4 F. CAPPELLI — 6 S. CARPANESI
8 V. BENITEZ — 10 A. SPANIO
7 L. LEONARDI — 9 R. DA SILVA — 11 F. FRANCESCONI

AUSTRALIAN XI

D. HOLDEN 11 — G. GIACOMETTI 9 — B. MORROW 7
D. WALSH 10 — R. CAMPANA 8
J. WATKISS 6 — P. HUGHES 4
W. COOK 5
G. NUTTALL 3 — T. EDWARDS 2
W. RORKE 1

Referee: G. Lamb (Vic.). **Linesmen:** A Boskovic (NW), V. Dobinson (Qld.).

BRAVO NSW FOR NOT DOING AS ROMANS DO

— By LOU GAUTIER —

Most of the entertainment served up to the eager crowd at the Sydney Showground last Sunday came from the gallant NSW team.

So much so that one had the inescapable feeling that instead of AS Roma touring Australia, NSW should be touring Italy.

Had the local team possessed five effective forwards, instead of only three, the Romans would have had to lift their game considerably in order to win.

Then, perhaps, we would have seen the display from the visitors which everyone had expected.

As it was, the large majority of spectators, including the rabid Roma fans carrying their "Forza Roma" banners, went home somewhat disappointed, their thirst for great soccer entertainment hardly quelched at all.

Professional goals

Roma won 2-1 through two splendidly executed, fully professional goals, but NSW should be considered unlucky to have lost this tie.

The NSW side performed as well as we all had hoped and expected.

For the first time since 1959, when a Prague-orientated XI outclassed Deportiva Saprissa of Costa Rica, a NSW team produced clever, eye-catching football.

Last Sunday NSW played with more purpose and gusto than the Romans, who again were too defensive in their approach.

Leisurely pace

While the NSW halfbacks, Bottalico and Walsh, played bright attacking football with many sorties among their forwards, Roma's winghalves, Cappelli and Carpanesi never crossed the halfway mark and even wingers Leonardi and Francesconi spent more time in their half of the field than in NSW's.

The Romans' leisurely pace gave the Sydney side plenty of time to mount clever, well conceived attacks — something we had rarely seen since the matches against the Costa Ricans.

NSW had about 60 per cent. of the ball last Sunday.

Yet the Italans, with less opportunities in attack, won the third match in a row of their tour — when NSW could easily have drawn.

How Watkiss, who usually pounces on the smallest half chance in a local competition match, managed to fumble and lose sight of a ball offered to him on a silver platter by the inimitable Campana in the 65th minute, heaven only knows.

This was the best chance of the match but NSW had a few other great opportunities to convert their territorial domination into goals in both halves.

Watkiss and Blue, however, had a poor match and the latter's form in particular was too bad to be true.

A pity because with Campana, Holden and Sleight playing so well, NSW could have had the goals on the board had the two Australian internationals played their usual games.

The NSW defence had a good match and can't be blamed for either Roma goal, both of which were gems.

The first one was a highly individual feat by Leonardi whose deadly low shot from 20 yards was unstoppable.

The second goal by Da Silva was the climax of the second of the three brilliant moves the Roma forward line executed for the whole 90 minutes.

Just like in Newcastle the previous day, the visitors had less scoring chances than the locals, but they made the most of them.

Romans jaded

While on the subject of Newcastle, it must be said in all fairness to the Italians, and without detracting anything from NSW's fine showing, that the match against Northern NSW 24 hours before visibly tired them.

Having only 15 players to call on, most of the team doubled up on Sunday and lost some of their speed and sparkle.

One Roman, however, who fully justified his glowing reputation was centre-half Giacomo Losi, the kingpin of the well drilled Roma defence.

Losi was the best player on the field, completely blotted Blue out of the game and showed Sydney fans the form which made him an Italian international.

The Romans may have disappointed some people, but last Sunday they played the same type of game they play in Italy, only slower.

Perfect technique

Their technique is near perfect and their cover defence first class, but their play lacks enterprise and, strangely enough for a Latin side, imagination.

Apart from an occasional flash of brilliance, the Romans were rather stereotyped.

In fact, they showed nothing that Sydney players wouldn't be able to show, were they given the chance to train 10 times a week instead of twice.

Sunday's match demonstrated clearly once and for all that the days when a touring team could play at half pace and still wipe the floor with our teams are well and truly over.

Only the best will beat NSW

Today, we are happy to say, **any** visiting club has to play near its peak to score a big win over NSW.

Everton did it in 1964 and Chelsea did it again last year.

Against Australia, however, Chelsea fielded a much weaker side and the result was a draw in both "tests" against an Australian team which included a majority of NSW players.

Torpedo and Roma played lackadaisically, and nearly paid the penalty by scraping home by the odd goal in a match which could easily have gone NSW's way.

Details:

NSW: Fuzes; Van Blerk, Nuttall; Walsh, Marnoch, Bottalico; Sleight, Campana, Blue (Giles), Watkiss, Holden. **Coach:** T. Jelisavcic.

AS Roma: Cudicini; Tomasin, Ardizzon; Cappelli; Losi, Carpanesi; Leonardi, Benitez, Da Silva, Spanio (Tamborini), Francesconi. **Coach:** G. Masetti.

Scorers: Leonardi 11 min., Da Silva 57 min. for Roma; Campana 36 min. for NSW.

Referee: A. Boskovic.
Crowd: 32,150.

PAXTONS

Newcastle beaten but not at all outclassed

AS Roma had a much tougher match against the Newcastle XI last Saturday than the final score of 4-1 indicates.

The Novocastrians were very much in the match until eight minutes from the end when Peruvian Benitez scored the second of his three goals with a magnificent flying header from a perfect cross from fullback Tomasin.

The Romans were in complete control only in the dying stages, Benitez completing his hat-trick in the 86th minute with another clever goal.

Otherwise, they made little impression on the fit, forceful Newcastle team.

Newcastle delighted the enthusiastic home crowd by matching the visitors for most of the match.

With an ounce of luck they could have even taken a 3-2 lead early in the second half as they certainly had some big chances with only goalie Ginulfi to beat.

The Australians' tackling was the most outstanding feature of their game.

They were faster than the Italians and clearly worried the Romans with their ferocious tackling, particularly Benitez who hates to be bustled off the ball.

The football on view was nothing out of the box but the closeness and uncertainty which prevailed for 80 minutes more than compensated for the lack of "champagne" soccer.

The Roman defence didn't play too well and was lucky to concede only one goal but where they had the edge was in the forward line where they made the most of every chance.

Details:

Newcastle: Dorman; Bullen (Reynolds), Curran; Cameron, Garrett, Lloyd; Morrow, Oldham, Baartz, Wright, Twidle. **Coach:** Dawson.

AS Roma: Ginulfi; Tomasin. Sensible; Cappelli, Losi, Carpanesi; Leonardi, Benitez, Da Silva, Francesconi, Enzo (Tamborini). **Coach:** Masetti.

Scorers: Francesconi 39 min., Benitez 55, 82 and 86 mins. for Roma; Morrow 12 min. for Newcastle.

Referee: G. Muir.

Linesmen: R. Roth, W. Jones.

Crowd: 14,000.

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Losi and NSW trio were stars of game

BY PAUL DEAN

A.S. ROMA

CUDICINI (goal) showed ability not only with the high ball, as expected, but also with the low shots. However, he wasn't once called upon to display his class.

TOMASIN (No. 2) played well but had a handful in the clever, enterprising Holden who beat him many times.

ARDIZZON (No. 3) was the better fullback, an immaculate passer of the ball who also moved up into the attack at times. However, even he failed to show top class.

CAPPELLI (No. 4) played deep in the defence, performing a useful but rather colorless duty. Often he played second stopper to Losi, without making himself noticed particularly.

LOSI (No. 5) was the best Italian defender, equally safe in the air or on the ground. His fantastic 50-yard pass to Francesconi before the second goal was actually the highlight of the match.

CARPANESI (No. 6) was the wing half who was supposed to "attack" but he preferred to roam around the middle, picking up loose balls and pushing them forward again.

LEONARDI (No. 7) was fast and his bursts of speed looked frightening. However, even he played deep and thus destroyed much of his usefulness. His goal, a hard, accurate drive was a professional effort.

BENITEZ (No. 8), the Peruvian, was noticed mainly for his bad temper. One brilliant scissors-kick attempt and a few good bursts in the second half saved some of his reputation, but not all of it.

DA SILVA (No. 9), the badly overweight Brazilian, showed nothing that one couldn't see from a dozen mediocre centre forwards in Sydney II division. He was painfully slow in thinking and action and if anything, a burden on his colleagues.

SPANIO (No. 10) showed his class while he played in the first half. He seemed to be the playmaker of the line, with his delicate kicks and pushes.

FRANCESCONI (No. 11) had a quiet game, never menacing the goal and often having big problems in beating Van Blerk. His dash and perfect centre preceding the second goal were copybook stuff.

TAMBORINI (No. 13) who came on in the second half was hardly noticed. He spent most of his time midfield, at times even in the defence allowing Carpanesi to move upfield.

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FUZES was blameless in the two goals. He came through his big test very well, made some nice saves at close range, cleared the ball intelligently.

VAN BLERK wasn't quite as aggressive as usual, but still managed to subdue his clever winger. His few sorties upfield were risky but the Romans never exploited them.

NUTTALL played well and had his man in check except when he had to race him. His distribution was excellent, his tackling hard and timely.

WALSH was the best NSW defender. He outran and outfought the Romans and would have gladly included a few lions as well. Showing no complex whatsoever, he was the motor of the team midfield and gave effective help to the forwards, often playing among them.

MARNOCH started shakily, had many tussles with Benitez and Da Silva,, then settled down and held together his defence well. His heading helped him out in some tight situations.

BOTTALICO, just like in his most recent club games, was slightly below his best but even so held his own well and fitted in nicely with the rearguard.

SLEIGHT had some good runs, one of these resulting in our goal. His crosses were often dangerous but he should have shown more enterprise in going towards the goal.

CAMPANA gave a lesson to the Italians in smart ball control, clever passing and dribbling, drawing on his vast repertoire. He was, in fact, a great deal classier than any Roma forward. Towards the end he tired and the Roman defenders paid him back in kind.

BLUE was extremely quiet, hardly noticed. His distribution was patchy, his understanding with his partners badly lacking. He didn't seem to know whether he was a spearhead or a schemer, so he failed in both.

WATKISS was also a big disappointment, having his worst game for years. His speed was absent, his shots and headers non-existent. Only in the last 15 minutes did he try to regain his composure.

HOLDEN was the most useful NSW forward, hardly giving any balls away, always initiating something constructive. He also beat his man many times into the bargain.

GILES only played for about 15 minutes and had no time to get into the thick of things.

A Roma defender tries a sliding tackle on NSW star winger Holden, one of the best players in the Sydney team.

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Main highlights of Roma v. NSW

— By RICK BRUCE —

Here is a minute by minute description of last Sunday's highlights.

3 p.m.: Roma win the toss and referee Boskovic sends the teams on their 90-minute way.

3.01: Bottalico collects the ball midfield, passes to Watkiss, gets the ball back and lets fly with a hard 20 yarder which forces Cudicini to stretch and push out for a corner.

3.07: The first real Roma attack. Right winger Leonardi crosses to Da Silva in the penalty area, but the Brazilian is too slow to turn and Nuttall clears under pressure.

3.11: Roma open the score at only their second mounted attack. After tricky combination with Benitez, Leonardi shoots from the edge of the penalty area and his "daisy-cutter" enters the left hand corner of Fuzes' goal. **Roma 1, NSW 0.**

3.23: Cudicini brings applause from the crowd with a brilliant save from a "hot" Holden shot from 20 yards.

3.25: Fuzes dives feet first for an unorthodox save at a curly shot from Da Silva.

3.36: Campana gets the equalizer after a brilliant run down the right wing by Sleight who beats Ardizzon and puts a curving centre onto Campana's head among a packet of players. **Roma 1, NSW 1.**

3.41: Tomasin, the Roman rght fullback, almost puts the ball in his own net from a dangerous Nuttall cross.

3.45: Referee Boskovic blows half time whistle.

A draw was an equitable halftime score as both teams had their moments although NSW had a bigger share of the ball and slightly better scoring chances.

3.58: Match resumes with NSW immediately on the attack.

3.59: Watkiss passes to Holden who forces Cudicini to dive full length to save.

4.03: Ardizzon concedes corner under pressure from Sleight. From resulting corner Holden's shot skims crossbar.

4.05: Benitez brings a roar from the crowd with a sizzling scissors kick which sails over the crossbar by inches.

4.10: Da Silva heads home from a perfect first time cross by Francesconi who received a magnificent 45-yard pass by Losi. **Roma 2, NSW 1.**

4.11: Watkiss almost gets the equalizer with a 15 yard drive from a Sleight centre which leaves Cudicini scampering to save.

4.18: Fuzes punches out a Francesconi drive from an oblique angle.

4.19: After yet another brilliant lead-up work by Campana, Watkiss fumbles and miskicks a "sitter" from only six yards.

4.25: Fuzes makes his best save of the match to deflect a hard shot by Francesconi which is then cleared by Marnoch in front of onrushing Roma forwards.

4.28: Ron Giles comes in in place of Blue.

4.29: Fuzes saves on goal-line following a low shot from Da Silva.

4.32: Walsh moves into the attack, passes to Campana who dribbles past three Romans but his pass, right in front of the goal, is wasted by Watkiss.

4.40: Bottalico breaks up a Roma attack, passes to Holden on the left wing. The Hakoah winger sends in a high cross but Cudicini gathers coolly over a forest of heads.

4.45: The match ends with Roma forcing two consecutive corners.

PAYTONS

BIG MATCH SCORECARD

— By EINAR PERSEN —

	AS ROMA			NSW		
	First half	Second half	Total	First half	Second half	Total
Goals	1	1	2	1	0	1
Shots at goal	2	4	6	4	5	9
Shots outside	0	1	1	1	2	3
Free kicks	4	6	10	9	5	14
Throw-ins	11	14	25	10	12	22
Offsides	1	2	3	2	3	5
Corners	5	6	11	5	4	9

ROMAN SNIPPETS

● *Press coverage in Newcastle for the Romans' match was the most extensive of the tour so far. The match was mentioned in length on the main sporting page for the whole week before the game. In view of the tremendous build-up, ASF officials were very disappointed with the crowd of 14,000 at the Newcastle Sports Ground.*

● *The Romans are inveterate singers. Led by South Americans Benitez and Da Silva, the players never stopped singing on the bus taking them back to Sydney last Saturday evening. Most of them have voices worthy of the great tradition of the "bel canto".*

● *Cavaliere Biancone, AS Roma's secretary speaks beautiful, fluent French without the slightest trace of an accent. Biancone is the only member of the touring party who speaks a foreign language.*

● *Julius Re, the ASF's liaison officer on the tour, deserves a big pat on the back. The young WA Federation president is not too proud to be a real "mother hen" to the Roman players, who hold him in high regard. Re will be with Roma during the entire tour until they take off from Perth on July 4.*

● *Busiest man in Newcastle last Friday night was ASF vice-president Jim Bayutti who had to translate at least 15 speeches at the official banquet offered by the Northern NSW Federation. Under these circumstances Jim can be forgiven for lapsing into Italian instead of translating into English a portion of Cavaliere Biacone's toast.*

● *The Romans thought that Newcastle wasn't as technical as Victoria but much faster and harder." It was a much tougher match and we had to fight harder for victory", said coach Masetti after last Saturday's game.*

● *The same sentiment was echoed by club secretary, Cavaliere Biancone, who said that the result of the game was in the balance until the 82nd minute when Benitez made 3-1.*

— LOU GAUTIER.

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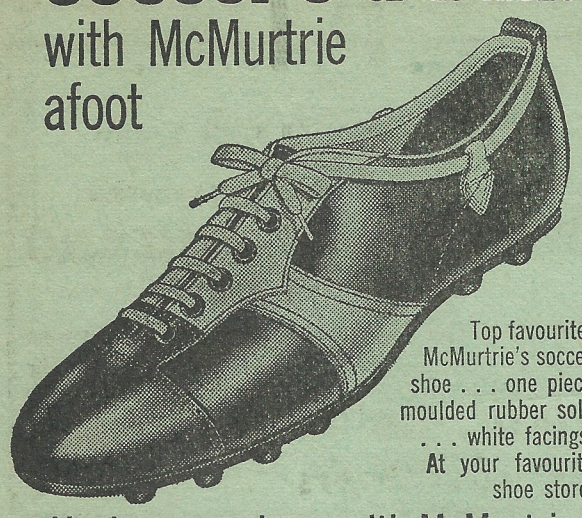

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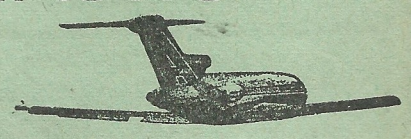

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QLD. FORWARDS ITCH TO NET AT LEAST ONE

— *From ALAN FOUCHE in Brisbane* —

The Queensland team to meet AS Roma on Saturday is a good mixture of youth and experience, despite several suprise omissions.

The most notable of these are Syd Tucker, Latrobe's outside right, currently the top league scorer and Horace Clark, in goal.

Tucker's omission is even more surprising if you consider that no specialist right winger has been included in the team and Hellenic's Graham McMillan has been switched to the other flank in an interesting gamble.

This may be the best Queensland defence fielded in recent years but the attack once again doesn't look good enough to pierce a really tough rearguard — and we may be sure that Roma's will be tough.

Scoreless in their last three matches against touring sides, it has now become the obsession of the Queensland forwards to net at least one against Roma.

However, I for one cannot see this forward line doing it unless Pattison produces his very best.

This is the likely Queensland team:

Goalkeeper:

ROSS KELLY (Coalstars). Aged 20. One of five Australian-born players in the side, has been a Queensland regular since New Zealand tour last year. Tall and agile, with a flair for the big occasion. Spectacular but safe.

Fullbacks:

GRAHAM KATHAGE (Coalstars). Aged 31. Will be making his 30th appearance for Queensland. Hard worker and is always cool under pressure. One of three best-liked men in the game, and still an automatic State choice. Has three Australian caps versus Hearts. Australian.

BILL HAIGH (Oxley). Aged 19. Hailed as one of Queensland's brightest prospects at the 1964 Australian Youth Championships, and has since fulfilled his promise with consistently good form. Strong, hard-tackling player who likes to "mix it." Normally a club half-back Australian.

Halves:

MATT JACKSON (Hellenic). Tireless worker and packs tremendous shot. Moved to half back from inside forward on joining Hellenic from Thistle three months ago, and has never looked back. Making his debut for State. Scottish.

MATT HOSIE (Latrobe). Aged 29. (Captain). One of the best players ever to come to Queensland, this former Airdrie centre half has fine ball control, a cool head, and is an excellent positional player. Was one of the best men afield against Torpedo, and will certainly be vital man in Queensland's expected 4-2-4 system. Scottish.

LANCE PETIE (Hellenic). Aged 25. Fine attacking wing-half, who joined Hellenic from Bundamba some years ago. Comes from a well-known Ipswich soccer family, and has represented Queensland six times since his debut against Victoria in 1960. Australian.

Forwards:

GRAHAM McMILLAN (Hellenic). Aged 30. Surprisingly switched by the selectors from his normal club position of inside or outside left to the opposite wing. A Queensland regular since 1955, possesses tremendous speed and powerful first time shot. Spent a season in England with Leyton Orient in 1958-59, but returned home to join Hellenic. Australian.

RAY RICHARDS (Latrobe). Aged 22. The stormy petrel of the Queensland soccer scene. Has continually been in trouble with referees over his robust methods, and almost retired recently after being suspended. Has a great reputation as a goal-grabber, and can shoot from any angle or position. Has little finesse, but plays the game for the full 90 minutes. English.

ERIC PATTISON (Merton Rovers). Aged 23. An enigmatical footballer whose game varies with his mood. Can be devastating, but just as often lifeless and uninspiring. Scored over 60 goals in 1964, and is coming back to form after a lean spell last season. An expert in poaching unexpected goals. Had a spell with Queen Park Rangers in London. Born Scotland.

REDVERN EDMUNDS (Latrobe). Aged 23. Solid, hard-hitting inside forward who arrived from Wales late last season. Probably played his way into the side with a brilliant display for Brisbane against Ipswich recently. A powerful shot, and outstanding in the air also. With Richards and Pattison, will provide the striking power of the attack. Welsh.

KEITH JONES (Latrobe). Aged 28. In the side largely on account of his perfect understanding with his former Welsh club-mate at Abergavenny, Edmunds. Four times a Welsh Amateur international, and also has experience with Bristol Rovers in England. Not very fast, but relies on brains, and will have to make the openings for his fellow forwards. Welsh.

Reserves:

IAN SHAW (Thistle). Centre half. Scottish born, but a product of Thistle juniors. Played magnificently in Thistle's Ampol Cup-winning side, but has not quite reproduced his best form of late.

BARRIE ALLISON (Thistle). Another local junior, has tons of promise, and his chance will undoubtedly come.

IAN JOHNSTON (Coalstars). Has been well below his best this season, and has shown only glimpses of his true ability. Lucky even to be reserve on present form.

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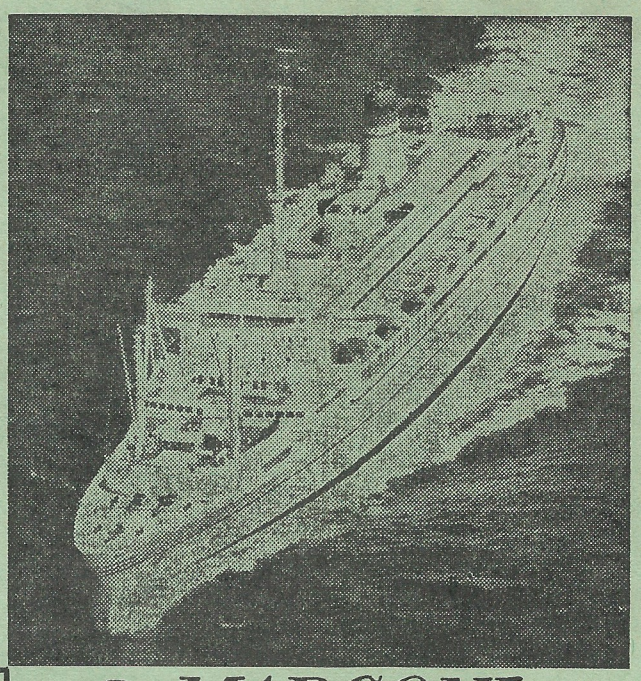

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G. CROSS CAN'T BE SURE OF GAINING POINTS

— From BOB LOW in Melbourne —

The holiday weekend sees soccer fans well catered for with two games Saturday, two Sunday and two again on Monday.

Here is the fixture list:

Juventus v. Alexander

Juventus should be untroubled against Alexander for the simple reason they are vastly more experienced and have much more class and skill.

Hakoah v. Lions

Both have sprung several surprises this season with shock results which suggest they are "up and downers". It could be a hard gruelling game with the odds in favor of a Hakoah win.

JUST v. Slavia

With defences being the forte this could be a low-scoring game, if any goals are scored at all. Could be a draw.

George Cross v. Melbourne

Times have changed and Melbourne look more progressive now than they have done for some years. Another tight finish could be seen here.

Wilhelmina v. SM Hellas

Hellas after a rank bad start look more capable than any other side to go on and win their third league title in a row. They should win here.

Croatia v. Polonia

Polonia, without being brilliant, are a creditable lot and can take on the best but it is Croatia, with more fire in attack, which could surprise.

JUST remain tops

With a lucky 2-1 win over Alexander, JUST have retained their position as State League leaders on goal average from Slavia who snatched both points with a last minute goal against George Cross.

Details:

Alexander v. JUST 1-2. **Scorers:** Alexander — T. Xantopoulos (penalty); JUST — Backovic and Vella.

Lions v. Juventus 1-4. **Scorers:** Lions — Carmichael; Juventus: Millar, Lockhurst, Di Marchi and Norman.

SM Hellas v. Croatia 1-1. **Scorers:** Hellas — Nestorides; Croatia — Adlam.

Polonia v. Hakoah 1-0.

Slavia v. George Cross 1-0. **Scorer:** Hall.

Melbourne v. Wilhelmina 2-1. **Scorers:** Melbourne — Kurta and Abonyi (penalty); Wilhelmina — Reilly.

VICTORIAN TABLE

JUST	**6**	**2**	**2**	**18**	**11**	**14**
Slavia	**7**	**—**	**3**	**15**	**13**	**14**
SM Hellas	**5**	**2**	**3**	**24**	**13**	**12**
Polonia	**5**	**2**	**3**	**13**	**8**	**12**
George Cross	5	1	4	12	9	11
Croatia	4	2	4	16	10	10
Juventus	5	—	5	14	13	10
Melbourne	3	3	4	10	15	9
Hakoah	3	2	5	11	13	8
Alexander	3	1	6	10	17	7
Lions	3	1	6	10	25	7
Wilhelmina	3	—	7	14	21	6

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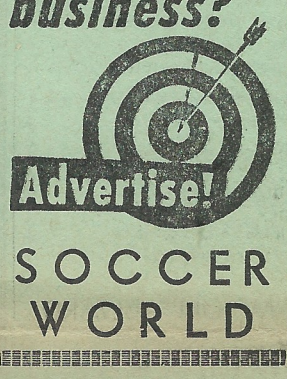

SOCCER WORLD

JUVENTUS ATTACK WILL TEST ENFIELD DEFENCE

— From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide —

The Queens Birthday weekend split round will provide fans with a double chance to watch first division soccer.

Enfield looks far more potent in attack now that Roy Parsons has linked up with Allan White, Charlie McRae and Tony Batchelor.

Juventus with Manuel Cruz back and Helio Santos, Tommy McColl and Johnny Perin, in sparkling form, should bring out the best in Enfield's defence.

Ampol Cup semifinalists, Polonia and Burnside-Budapest shared the points when they met last but Budapest will need to improve drastically to repeat the effort.

Budapest are a far better side than their lowly ranking suggests but they may lack the penetrative ability of Polonia.

Lions' luck must surely change after their frustrating run against Juventus when their defence set up three goals on a platter.

Hellas, although still winning, have lacked conviction in their last three outings.

Only a top flight effort will succeed against a Jim Mill and John Lovell-inspired Lion.

New Hellas goalkeeper, Panagiotis Tsitsos, from South Melbourne Hellas who made his debut last week will again provide a focal point.

The remaining holiday games could emulate last Saturday's goal drought.

Croatia against Victoria appears certain to be evenly contested, as does Austria opposed to Cumberland.

Selections: Juventus, Polonia, Victoria, Hellas, Austria.

ADELAIDE PROGRAMME

Saturday, June 11.

Enfield City v. Juventus, Hindmarsh Stadium. Referee: W. Hosie.

Burnside-Budapest v. Polonia, Olympic Sports Field. Referee: A. Frost.

Monday, June 13.

Croatia v. Victoria, Hanson Reserve. Referee: J. Wharton.

WA Hellas v. USC Lion, Hindmarsh Stadium. Referee: D. Grant.

Seacliff-Austria v. Cumberland, Croydon Park. Referee: M. O'Malley.

Adelaide details

- Adelaide Juventus v. USC Lion 3-1 (2-1). Goals: Herczeg, McColl, S. Muzyka (own goal); M. Muzyka.
- WA Hellas v. Burnside Budapest 3-1 (-11). Goals: Pantelis (two penalties), Byrne; A. Foldesdy.
- Enfield City v. Polonia 2-2 (0-1). Goals: McRae, Batchelor (penalty); Marchiniak (penalty), Kolecki.
- Cumberland v. Croatia 0-0 (0-0).
- Seacliff Austria v. Victoria 0-0 (0-0).

SA TABLE

Juventus	**7**	**—**	**1**	**30**	**10**	**14**
Hellas	**6**	**2**	**—**	**26**	**13**	**14**
Polonia	**3**	**4**	**1**	**15**	**10**	**10**
Victoria	**3**	**3**	**2**	**13**	**12**	**9**
Enfield City	3	2	3	13	18	8
USC Lion	3	—	5	16	17	6
Croatia	2	2	4	7	13	6
Seacliff-Austria	1	3	4	10	16	5
Cumberland	1	3	4	4	17	5
Burnside-B'pest	1	1	6	14	22	3

AUSTRALIAN RESULTS

VICTORIA

First division: Athena v. Oakleigh 6-0; Box Hill v. Sandringham 0-1; Triestina v. Libertas 3-2; Moreland v. Coburg 3-0; Makedonia v. Dandenong 1-0; St.Albans v. Austria 4-0

Second division: Brighton v. Fern Tree 2-2; Sunshine v. Park Rangers 2-1; Prahran v. Springvale 0-4; Altona v. Ringwood 1-2; University v. Richmond 1-3; Frankston v. Tullamarine 7-0.

Third division: Hercules v. Bayswater 1-0; Glenroy v. Flinders 4-3; Waverley v. Moorabbin 2-2; Heidelberg v. Ajax 2-3; South Yarra v. Essendon 0-1.

Fourth division: Keilor v. Olympic 6-0; Chelsea v. Lilydale 6-2; Mooroolbark v. Newport 7-1; Helvetic v. Mornington 3-3; Croydon v. St.Kilda 1-1.

NORTHERN NSW

Hamilton v. Newcastle 0-1; Cardiff v. W. Wallsend 2-4; Weston v. L. Macquarie 3-6; Wallsend v. Adamstown 0-4; Mayfield v. Awaba 2-1.

QUEENSLAND

First division: Azzurri v. Oxley 2-3; Thistle v. St.Helen's 2-3; Latrobe v. Merton 6-3; Coalstars v. Hellenic 3-2.

Second division: Budapest v. Polonia 3-1; Dnipro v. Redbank 12-0; Wynnum v. Mitchelton 2-3; Hollandia v. Taringa 8-1; Bardon v. Annerley 0-1; Germania v. Easts 0-2.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Second division: South Adelaide v. Wakefield 0-1; Azzurri v. Port Adelaide 2-4; Windsor v. Beograd 3-3; Malta v. Sturt 1-1; Elizabeth v. Birkalla 2-2.

WEST. AUSTRALIA

State league: North Perth v. Athena 0-3; Olympic v. Windmills 0-1; Tricolore v. Swan Valley 3-2; Azzurri v. Cockburn 8-0; Swan A. v. Cracovia 1-4.

Second division: Dalmatinac v. Medina 9-1; Kiev v. Cottesloe 0-1; Subiaco v. Caledonia 0-1; Perth City v. Macedonia 5-0; University v. Julia 5-0.

Third division: Scarboro v. Bayswater postponed; Victoria v. Queens Park 1-4; Undergrads v. Bassendean 12-0; Sports v. Maccabean 2-1.

TASMANIA

Southern: Semifinal Falkinder Cup: Calies v. Juventus 2-2 at full time, after extra time Juventus won four corners to three; Croatia v. Olympia 1-2.

North-western: Rovers v. Ulverstone 1-0; Mersey v. Devonport 1-1.

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COMPETITION TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

Grade I.

APIA	**5**	**1**	**—**	**24**	**7**	**11**
Prague	**4**	**1**	**1**	**14**	**16**	**9**
Hakoah	**3**	**1**	**2**	**16**	**8**	**7**
St. George	**3**	**1**	**2**	**14**	**9**	**7**
Pan Hellenic	2	2	2	18	15	6
South Coast	2	1	3	10	11	5
Croatia	1	3	2	8	20	5
Yugal	1	2	3	12	11	4
Cumberland	2	—	4	11	18	4
Corinthians	—	2	4	1	13	2

Grade II.

Hakoah	**5**	**1**	**—**	**21**	**9**	**11**
St. George	**4**	**2**	**—**	**17**	**5**	**10**
South Coast	**4**	**1**	**1**	**14**	**9**	**9**
Croatia	**2**	**3**	**1**	**14**	**10**	**7**
Pan Hellenic	3	—	3	13	10	6
APIA	2	1	3	11	14	5
Yugal	1	2	3	10	16	4
Cumberland	2	—	4	6	10	4
Corinthians	1	1	4	7	16	3
Prague	—	1	5	3	15	1

Grade III.

Prague	**5**	**—**	**1**	**24**	**9**	**10**
Pan Hellenic	**5**	**—**	**1**	**16**	**8**	**10**
APIA	**4**	**1**	**1**	**16**	**10**	**9**
Cumberland	**4**	**1**	**2**	**21**	**9**	**9**
Croatia	3	—	2	21	11	8
Hakoah	2	1	3	9	17	5
South Coast	2	—	4	12	17	4
St. George	1	1	4	9	15	3
Corinthians	1	1	4	9	22	3
Yugal	—	1	6	7	26	1

SECOND DIVISION

Grade I.

Polonia-NS	**5**	**1**	**—**	**18**	**4**	**11**
W. Olympic*	**5**	**—**	**2**	**19**	**11**	**10**
Melita Eagles	**4**	**1**	**1**	**17**	**9**	**9**
Canterbury	**4**	**—**	**2**	**15**	**18**	**8**
Bankstown	3	1	2	18	12	7
Granville-AEK	2	2	2	17	12	6
Syd. Austral*	2	1	4	19	23	5
Western Utd.	1	2	3	9	13	4
Hornsby-NE	—	2	4	7	15	2
Sutherland	—	—	6	3	25	—

*** Played one match more.**

Grade II.

Bankstown	**6**	**—**	**—**	**40**	**4**	**12**
Canterbury	**4**	**2**	**—**	**18**	**6**	**10**
Syd. Austral*	**4**	**2**	**1**	**20**	**12**	**10**
Melita Eagles	**2**	**4**	**—**	**14**	**8**	**8**
Polonia-NS	4	—	2	16	18	8
Granville-AEK	2	1	3	18	17	5
W. Olympic*	2	1	4	9	28	5
Sutherland	1	1	4	17	19	3
Hornsby-NE	—	1	5	7	17	1
Western Utd.	—	—	6	4	34	—

*** Played one match more.**

INTER-SUBURBAN TABLES

First Division

Marconi	**8**	**—**	**1**	**36**	**11**	**16**
Manly	**7**	**1**	**2**	**27**	**15**	**15**
N. Bankstown	**6**	**1**	**3**	**28**	**13**	**13**
Lane Cove	**5**	**1**	**3**	**18**	**18**	**11**
Concordia	5	1	4	19	24	11
Sth. Sydney	4	2	3	19	22	10
W. Waratah	4	1	5	28	27	9
Artarmon	2	1	7	21	28	5
Belmore	2	—	7	14	26	4
Thistle	1	—	9	15	40	2

Second Division

Marrickville	**9**	**—**	**—**	**40**	**8**	**18**
NS-Inter	**7**	**1**	**3**	**32**	**14**	**15**
Uni. NSW	**5**	**2**	**2**	**26**	**21**	**12**
Ryde	**6**	**1**	**1**	**25**	**8**	**11**
East Sydney	4	1	4	24	24	9
Sydney Uni.	4	1	5	20	32	9
Kewpies	4	—	6	21	19	8
Lidcombe	2	1	6	17	26	5
Auburn	2	1	6	15	31	5
Padstow	—	—	9	9	47	—

Third Division

Penrith	**7**	**2**	**—**	**30**	**9**	**16**
Guildford	**6**	**1**	**3**	**22**	**13**	**13**
Willoughby	**6**	**—**	**4**	**28**	**20**	**12**
Western Subs.	**5**	**1**	**3**	**23**	**20**	**11**
Gymea	4	1	5	28	28	9
Yagoona	4	1	4	18	34	9
Warringah	3	2	5	21	23	8
Arncliffe	2	3	3	22	15	7
Liverpool	3	1	5	22	33	7
Rapids	*	2	8	16	35	2

Fourth Division

East Side	**8**	**1**	**—**	**43**	**10**	**17**
All Stars	**7**	**1**	**1**	**32**	**11**	**15**
Liverpool Inter	**4**	**1**	**4**	**31**	**17**	**9**
Dee Why	**4**	**1**	**4**	**26**	**13**	**9**
Blacktown	4	1	5	18	22	9
Condell Park	3	1	5	13	26	7
Smithfield	3	—	6	21	29	6
Bankstown	—	—	8	9	66	—

Last week's amateur results

First Division

Concordia v. Artarmon 3-0 2-3; Manly v. Thistle 2-0 7-0; Belmore v. North Bankstown 2-3 3-3; Lane Cove v. Wenty Waratah 1-1 0-1.

Second Division

Syd. University v. Granville Kewpies 2-1 3-0; NS Inter v. University NSW 2-2 2-3.

Third Division

Yagoona v. Gymea 1-3 2-2; Willoughby Wanderers v. Guildford 4-2 1-1; Warringah Saints v. Riverside Rapids 3-1 3-0.

Fourth Division

Condell Park v. Liverpool Inter 3-2 5-1; Blacktown v. Smithfield 1-2 1-2.

Can Croatia pull out of its mad downhill plunge?

— By PAUL DEAN —

This will be a full weekend for fans in Sydney as on Saturday and Sunday there are competition matches and on Monday AS Roma plays Australia.

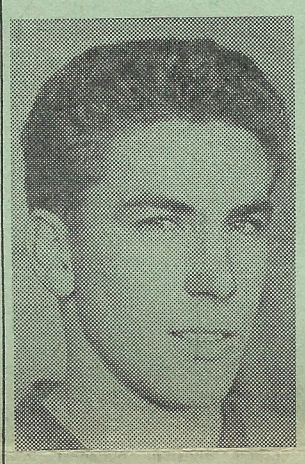
The weekend program has been slightly changed, what with the APIA v. Pan Hellenic clash postponed and the South Coast v. Corinthians match switched to Woonona.

These are the fixtures:

Croatia v. Hakoah

Seven, nine . . . will it be 11 goals this time blasted past the Croatia 'keeper?

That we find hard to believe although the way Croatia have been shaping lately they shouldn't entertain too much secret hope about the outcome of this clash.



RON BAKER (Croatia)

Croatia's trouble, as we predicted months ago, is the traditional and classic trouble of a club that suddenly finds plenty of cash in the kitty.

They have bought greedily, indiscriminately and without much plan to fit the pieces together.

They are unlikely to undergo a miraculous change for a while even if they manage to avoid further humiliating beatings.

Hakoah's sparkle of late 1965 vintage has now all but gone.

Still, they have pretty effective team-work built on such reliable performers as Walsh, Marnoch, Duffy and Holden.

That should be plenty enough to face a dispirited Croatia which may now be determined to make amends but is certain to find that it takes time to do that.

Watch for: Former wing half Duffy shining among the forwards.

South Coast v. Corinthians

Woonona Oval, to where this match has been shifted, is unlikely to provide the Sydneysiders with too much joy.

Their atrocious forward line has produced one single goal in six matches, a total of 540 minutes of soccer.

Unless they manage to sign a Dennis Law or Bobby Charlton in double-time, they will find the rugged and skilful South Coast defence too tight to penetrate.

South Coast are shaping just as it was expected: a solid defence and an erratic but enthusiastic forward line.

However, at home and against rather weak opposition, this quintet should move into top gear and slam home two or three goals without trouble.

That would be enough to wrap up the match and keep the points at home — which we expect the provincials to do with considerable ease.

Watch for: A goal from Corinthians?

St. George v. Prague

This should be a highly entertaining match full of clever football.

Both are in splendid form and play an eye-catching enjoyable game.

The Saints, after weeks of worry and heartbreak, finally found their goal touch.

Led by Yardley and Warren, their forward line can be literally explosive on its day.

The defence, with a reborn Haffey in the rear, is very solid and reliable.

Prague rely a great deal on the talents of Sleight, Scheinflug and Moravcik, their three foragers.

If at least two of these are shut out of the game, they can easily come to a standstill.

However, they will not give in easily and especially if Kvacek and Badaracco can rise to the occasion, they will give the Saints a hard run for their money.

Watch for: Todd in St. George fast returning to his best form.

Yugal v. Cumberland

Manly, at long last, will again see a first division match and it can only be hoped that a large crowd will justify Yugal's gesture in taking the game there.

The match itself should be full of interest.

Yugal, after a disastrous start to the season, have steadied their ranks and are again a force to be reckoned with.

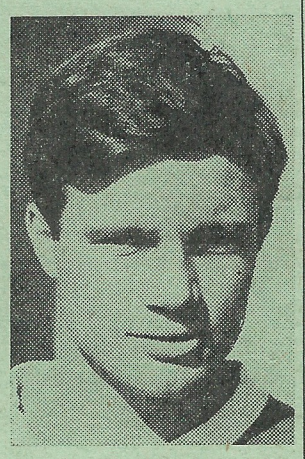
Their veteran forwards can hold the ball cleverly until an opportunity is created for someone to burst through and shoot.

The Yugal defence can be rattled occasionally but Stojanovic & Co. are still capable of superb football.

Cumberland showed greatly improved form in hitting Corinthians for four.

Their forwards, especially Fernie and Collins, can be elusive and dangerous if given some latitude.

Cumberland will have no complexes and will certainly strive to gain both points.



JOE ALAGICH (Yugal)

However, they would probably settle for one which they may just snatch.

Watch for: Rafaneli becoming a polished full-back in Yugal.

TIPSTERS' CORNER

THIS WEEKEND'S MATCHES	PAUL DEAN	LOU GAUTIER	EINAR PERSEN	RICK BRUCE	MARCEL NAGY	MOST FAV
Australia-AS Roma	2	2	2	2	2	2
Croatia-Hakoah	2	2	2	2	2	2
Corinthians-SCU	2	2	2	2	2	2
Yugal-Cumberland	1	1	x	x	1	1
St. George-Prague	x	1	x	1	1	1
Canterbury-Syd. Austral	1	1	1	1	1	1
Granville-Bankstown	2	x	2	x	x	x
Melita Eagles-West. Utd.	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hornsby-Sutherland	1	1	x	1	x	1
Wollongong Ol.—Polonia	2	2	2	2	2	2

RESULT SCOREBOARD

	S. Coast	St. George	APIA	Yugal	Prague	Hakoah	Croatia	Cumberland	Pan Hellenic	Corinthians
South Coast Utd.	●	0-0		3-2					5-3	
St. George		●	0-3				9-0		0-4	
APIA	2-0		●		8-1		2-2			
Yugal		2-3		●		0-0				0-0
Prague	2-1				●			3-2		1-0
Hakoah			1-3		1-3	●			4-2	
Croatia				1-7			●	3-0		1-1
Cumberland	2-1		3-6			0-5		●		
Pan Hellenic				4-1	4-4		1-1		●	
Corinthians		0-2				0-5		0-4		●

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T. SNEDDEN
R. BAKER
P. BONHAM
R. CUSH
A. DOVE
B. TYRRELL
F. CUSH
R. GILES
V. REYNOLDS

HAKOAH

P. FUZES
T. EDWARDS
I. HILLSDON
D. WALSH
A. MARNOCH
D. EDWARDS
R. REID
J. HARDING
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J. DUFFY
D. HOLDEN

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A. MORAVCIK
R. HOARE

YUGAL

B. NEZMAH
A. NACINOVIC
S. RAFANELI
L. LAZAREVIC
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A. VICEVIC
A. NINCEVIC
S. FRAY
S. PACANIN

CUMBERLAND

J. FISHER
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N. TOWNSEND
P. KEEN
G. McPHAIL
J. KEDDIE
M. COLLINS
J. RICHARDSON
J. FERNIE
J. BRYCE

II. Division

NO PICNIC FOR POLES

Competition leaders Polonia-North Side and Wollongong Olympic clash this weekend at Balgownie Oval.

A win for Polonia would allow them to shake Wollongong Olympic off their heels, perhaps for good, as Olympic would then be three points behind Polonia, who also have a match in hand.

Sunday' match should be a thriller.

After a shaky start Wollongong Olympic have won their last five games in a row.

Polonia are still unbeaten, having dropped only one point, in their very first match.

The visitors' greater experience and skill should prevail but we expect Polonia's win to be as difficult as their victory over the provincials in the Federation Cup 10 weeks ago.

The other two Sunday matches may see the home team winning both points.

Melita Eagles, with their forwards back among the goals, will have too much power and experience for Western United, despite the latter's encouraging form against Wollongong Olympic a fortnight ago.

Hornsby-North End, second last on the table, will meet woodenspooners Sutherland at Pennant Hills in what will be a desperate battle for points.

Neither has yet won a match, but greater speed and harder tackling should allow the home side to open their account.

Old rivals Bankstown and Granville, who staged so many stirring battles when they ruled the first division roost a decade or so ago, meet at Macarthur Park in Saturday's main game.

A draw seems the logical result although Bankstown will be hoping that young Dennis Madden can repeat his feat of two weeks ago when he scored five goals against Hornsby-North End.

The other Saturday match will be played at Arlington Oval between Canterbury and Sydney Austral and the Berries, with playmaker Saravakos, should confirm their excellent present form with a convincing win over Westerveld's Dutchmen.

Italian journalist praises NSW

Giuseppe Presutti, an Italian soccer writer covering the AS Roma tour for IL TEMPO of Rome, was very impressed with the NSW team.

"NSW played a polished brand of technical football", he said after last Sunday's match.

"On their display against Roma, I would rate them the equal of any bottom of the table First Division side in Italy.

"They are one class better than Victoria which I rate as a middle of the table Second Division Italian team".

Campana and Walsh are the players who impressed Presutti most.

"Campana could play in any top European team and is by far the classiest player I've seen so far in Australia and Walsh, the little fellow, has the heart of a lion.

"He would be a sensation and a great crowd pleaser in Italy", he said. **L.G.**

ROUND THE WORLD

Eight countries will take part in the Merdeka Tournament in Kuala Lumpur in August: Malaysia, South Korea, Japan, Formosa, South Vietnam, Burma, Singapore and Thailand. The organisers had expected Hong Kong, India, Cambodia, Australia and Israel to participate, but all have withdrawn.

Europe's champion clubs

These are the champions of the European countries whose Division I championship is over: Denmark: *Ebsjerg*, England: *Liverpool*, Luxembourg: *Aris Bonnevoie*, Yugoslavia: *Vojvodina*, West Germany: *Munchen* 1860. Italy: *Inter Milan*. Switzerland: *FC Zurich*, Holland: *Ajax Amsterdam*, East Germany, *Vorwaerts Berlin*, Eire: *Waterford*, Finland: *Haka Valeakosi*, Northern Ireland: *Linfield*,, Norway: *Valerengen Oslo*, Portugal: *Sporting Lisbon*, Scotland: *Celtic*, Sweden: *Malmo FF*, Spain: *Atletico Madrid*, Turkey: *Besiktas*, USSR: *Torpedo*. All these clubs will take part in the 1966-67 European Cup which starts in two and a half months.

Italy, USSR junior champions

Italy and the USSR will share the European junior title. They played a scoreless draw in the final in Belgrade after defeating Spain and Yugoslavia respectively in the semifinals by the same score of 1-0.

Ramsey's good record

Since Alf Ramsey took over, England have played 34 matches. They have won 20, played eight draws and lost six. Since February 27, 1963, when Ramsey became coach, England lost only to France (2-5), Scotland (2-3 and 1-2), Brazil (1-5), Austria (2-3) and Argentina (0-1).

Depleted Torpedo's slow start

Torpedo Moscow will be hard pressed to retain their Soviet title. They had a very quiet start to the new season and at the moment, after eight rounds, are trailing Dynamo Kiev by five points. Torpedo, with six players in the USSR World Cup squad, are the hardest hit of any Russian club as they will be without their stars for another seven weeks.

Torino plan spending spree

Torino are likely to acquire four players from AC Milan. The once glamorous Turin XI are after Maldini, the Milan stopper, Trebbi, Fortunato and Barluzzi. The cost of the mass importation would be $500,000. Torino are also after Italy's leading goalscorer, Brazilian Vinicio, but Inter Milan, AC Milan and Juventus are also on the ranks and Torino cannot compete with the two Milanese clubs.

Guttmann for FK Austria?

Bela Guttmann, Benfica's former Hungarian-born coach, is almost certain to take over Vienna's FK Austria next season. Guttmann has many business commitments in the Austrian capital and has always wanted to settle there. Guttmann's assistant at FK Austria would be Ernst Ocwirk, one of Austria's all time greats.

● Soviet selectors so far have only chosen eight of their 1962 World Cup squad for next month's World Cup: Yashin, Ostrovski, Ivanov, Metreveli, Meshki, Ponedelnik, Cislenko and Voronin.

● Argentina will start their European tour on June 17 at Copenhagen. They will play Sparta, a local club, in the Danish capital, then meet Italy in Turin on June 22 and West Bromwich Albion in England on July 2.

● **Inter Milan players in the Italian World Cup squad will only have a few days rest before starting to prepare for the new season. The World Cup final is on July 30 and on August 10, Helenio Herrera assembles his Inter squad for training.**

● Dettmar Kramer, once mentioned as Australia's possible World Cup coach, will assist Helmut Schoen with the West Germans in England. Udo Lattek will be West Germany's physical conditioner.

● **Camera crews from the USSR, France, West Germany, Portugal and England are filming the Brazilians at training.**

● America de Mexico and Torino played a 2-2 draw for the inaugural match at the luxurious Aztec Stadium at Mexico City last week. A crowd of 125,000 saw the local club lead 2-0 until the 82nd minute.

● **Slovan Bratislava have staged a good recovery in Czechoslovakia and are now clear of relegation. With one round to go they are in ninth place (out of 14 clubs), and four points ahead of Tatran Presov and Ostrava who will both be relegated. Lokomotiva Kosice, the club where goalie Schroif now plays, has also avoided relegation.**

● The planned amalgamation between Schwechat and Wacker won't take place in Austria. The old Wacker club has found some generous backers and will continue next season with Hans Brinck as their new coach.

● **There will be 18 clubs instead of 16 in the Dutch First Division next season. Heracles have been relegated to second division and three clubs have been promoted to make up the numbers: Sittardia, Breda and Xerces Rotterdam, all of which have played in top soccer before.**

● Sir Stanley Rous, the FIFA president, will present a trophy next season to the winner of an annual match between the European and South American junior champions.

● **Munchen 1860, the West German champions for 1965-66, have transferred their international fullback Patzke to Hertha Berlin but have bought another international defender, Lutz, from Eintracht Frankfurt.**

● Schnellinger and Haller, Italy's two great German stars, will remain in Italy. Schnellinger has re-signed with AC Milan for $40,000 and Haller with Bologna for $60,000 for two years.

● **Rasovic, the Partizan Belgrade stopper, has been suspended for six months for allegedly breaking the leg of international inside-left Zemko in a match against Sarajevo on May 1.**

● Brazilian Jacare will stay another year with FK Austria of Vienna.

● **Borussia Dortmund's famous Rote Erde Stadium will have a capacity of 54,000 next season instead of 35,000 and will be the sixth biggest ground in Germany.**

● One of the few British coaches operating on the Continent is Mike Elliott, a 39-year-old Londoner who never played in top British soccer. Elliott coaches Daring Brussels, the First Division Belgian club.

● **Gianni Rivera, the AC Milan and Italy inside-left, has invested most of his phenomenal football earnings in a large insurance company.**

● Milan AC's two South Americans, Angelillo and Gallardo, will return home this month. Peruvian Gallardo will join Crystal Club of Lima and Angelillo will play for Boca Juniors.

● **Goalkeepers will almost certainly be allowed to be replaced in European Cup matches next season.**

● Willy Dullens, a 21-year-old who plays for Second Division Sittardia has been named Holland's "footballer of the year". Dullens was the star of Holland's 3-1 win over Belgium eight weeks ago.

● **Argentina's World Cup squad will only include one player of the 1958 team in Sweden: the veteran half-back Varacka.**

Controversy raging in France

The omission of Monaco skipper Yvon Douis from France's World Cup squad has caused a storm of controversy throughout France with the Press devoting many pages on the surprise eviction of a player still rated by many as the best in France. Douis, 31, is the only member of the 1958 World Cup team still active today and he played a major part in France's qualifying matches. Six months ago, he suffered a knee injury, and has never been the same since. Selector-coach Henri Guerin decided to take no chances and left him out of the squad because his fitness is still very suspect.

No Romans in "team"

According to Italy's daily sports newspaper GAZETTA DELLO SPORT, this is the country's "team of the year", based on First Division performances in 1965-66: Albertosi (Sarti), Schnellinger (Salvadore), Gori, Guarneri, Facchetti, Leoncini (Tiberi), Suarez (Haller) (Sivori), Meroni, Perani (Hamrin), Vinicio, Mazzola, Pascutti (Riva). There are no AS Roma players in this "team".

Ticket trouble in Britain

Jim Webster, chairman of the World Cup ticket sales committee, resigned last week. Webster, 49, bitterly criticized the method of ticket sales and warned that great chaos will occur during the World Cup. Webster claims that big booking agencies in Britain are receiving unfair preferences although their sales are lagging. The small man, Webster says, is getting a raw deal while the middle men are making a fortune from ticket sales.

SCOREBOARD

INTERNATIONALS: Denmark v. Turkey 0-0 (Copenhagen); Torpedo Moscow v. Lanerossi Vicenza (Italy) 4-1 (Moscow); Arsenal v. Besiktas (Turkey) 0-0 (Ankara); Bulgaria v. Radnicki Nis (Yugoslavia) 5-1 (Sofia); Juventus Turin v. Hungary 1-2 (Turin); Uruguay v. West Bromwich Albion 2-0 (Montevideo); USSR v. France 3-3 (Moscow); Hungary v. Switzerland 3-1 (Budapest); Brazil v. Peru 4-0 (Sao Paulo); West Germany v. Rumania 1-0.

AUSTRIA: Vienna v. Wiener SK 4-4; Schwechat v. Kapfenberg 0-0; GAK v. Austria Wien 0-2; LASK v. Wacker Innsbruck 5-2; Rapid v. Salzburg 6-1; Admira v. Simmering 4-0; Klagenfurt v. Wiener Neustadt 2-1. **Comp. leaders:** Admira 41, Rapid 39, FK Austria 35.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Lokomotiva Kosice v. Sparta Prague 3-1; Slavia Prague v. Inter Bratislava 0-1; Brno v. Hradec Kralove 3-1; Banik Ostrava v. Tatran Presov 3-0; Dukla Prague v. VSS Kosice 5-1; Slovan Bratislava v. Union Teplice 4-0. **Dukla Prague won the championship.**

YUGOSLAVIA: Red Star Belgrade v. Partizan Belgrade 2-1; Dinamo Zagreb v. Tresnjevka 6-4; Sarajevo v. Zagreb 3-1; Vardar v. Rijeka 2-1; Olimpija v. Radnicki Belgrade 1-1; Radnicki Nis v. Velez 4-2; Hajduk v. Zeljeznicar 6-2; OFK Belgrade v. Vojvodina 3-4.

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Prague will issue every migrant from Britain with a one year "welcome membership" to the club. With the assistance of the Australian Emigration Department every migrant will be issued with a membership card before he leaves Britain. The membership will allow him to watch any Prague match for only 20 cents for 12 months.

GERRY Hood is expected to return to Hakoah's first team in the match against St. George on July 4.

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THOSE who saw the poor display of Roma's centre forward Riccardo Da Silva will be surprised to know that before moving to Italy in 1963 Da Silva led the famous Botafogo attack in Brazil for two years.

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PRAGUE coach Stefan Cambal is not yet certain to leave Australia at the end of the season. Although his contract with his club expires this year, he may decide to stay on for another year.

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NEWCASTLE, the Australian under-18 champions, scored two impressive wins over the Sydney under-18 team last weekend. Both matches were played as curtain-raisers to Roma matches. In Newcastle on Saturday Newcastle won 4-3 after leading 3-0 and on Sunday, at the Sydney Showground, the Novocastrians outclassed Sydney 4-2. Newcastle's wins were fully deserved as Northern NSW has a healthy, progressive youth policy whereas the Sydney team was a collection of spare parts hastily assembled for the occasion. Most of the Newcastle juniors are regular first team players with top Northern clubs, but in the Sydney side only Croatia's Frank Cush is an intermittent first grader.

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THE unbeaten under-8 Wahroonga Tigers are throwing out a challenge to other teams in the same age category. They would like to play this match at halftime of a main First or Second Division fixture. Secretaries interested in staging this 15-minute game should ring Andy Lakos on 44-4686.

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PRAGUE right winger Vic Povey injured himself in the practice match against Hornsby-North End last Saturday. Prague won the game 8-2.

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FORMER St. George-Budapest team manager Fred Adelman just returned from a business trip to Europe where he also took in some big matches including Manchester Utd. v. Partizan and Real Madrid v. Partizan in the European Cup. He found both utterly disappointing. The most exciting soccer in Europe, he says, is being played in West Germany.

TO settle a controversy on the ages of Peter Fuzes and Geoff Sleight, they are 19 and 22 years old respectively. The Hakoah 'keeper was born on May 14, 1947, and the Prague winger will be 23 in a few days.

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PAN Hellenic defeated St. George 4-3 in a practice match last Saturday.

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PRAGUE gave a party last Saturday night to farewell their talented youngsters Colin Beard and Victor Lowrie before their departure for Czechoslovakia where they will be "apprentices" with Slovan Bratislava. Three visiting Roman officials attended the function.

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ANDY Sagi will resume training with Hakoah next week. The Hungarian-born forward is keen to play again and has already shed some weight in his bid to get fit quickly.

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DAVID Zeman's torn knee ligaments just won't heal and the Prague stopper will be out of the game for another three weeks at least.

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CUMBERLAND defeated Yugal 4-0 in a third grade competition match last weekend at Mona Park. The match was put forward one week because Manly Council will only allow two matches next Sunday.

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ST. GEORGE forward Alan Piggott scored the only goal in the match of under-16 "possibles" versus "probables" at the Showground last Sunday. Pity he is not under 16 any more . . .

After match comments

Here are some of the comments from players and officials after last Sunday's NSW v. AS Roma match:

★ **AS Roma manager Cavaliere Biancone:** "Don't judge our players too harshly. They can play much better, but were tired after Saturday's tough match in Newcastle. The NSW team, however, played very well and is full of promise."

★ **Roman coach Guido Masetti:** "A good, technical match. NSW played attractive football which the Romans could only counter with a tight defence. I was pleased that we won with only 24 hours rest after the Newcastle match. Despite the talent of the NSW team, I am sure Roma would have won more impressively had they not played the previous day. But that Campana, what a classy player. Wish we had him in Roma . . ."

★ **Giacomo Losi, Roma's skipper:** "A hard game. At 1-1 we were really worried. I'm delighted to have contributed to our victory with the pass that clinched the winning goal. I had my toughest match in Australia and my most satisfying win as the opposition was first class".

★ **Victor Benitez:** "I tried desperately to score a goal but the NSW defence was too good. The NSW No 6 (Bottalico) stuck to me like grapevine but it was the No 4 (Walsh) who really impressed me."

★ **Goalie Flavio Cudicini:** "Bravo Fuzes! For a teenager he played with the aplomb of a veteran and placed himself very well. He will go far in the game."

★ **NSW coach Tiko Jelisavcic:** "With an ounce of luck we could have at least forced a draw. Walsh and Holden were outstanding, but all the boys tried. The Romans were slower than I expected, but are still fine professionals with impeccable technique."

★ **NSW Federation president Frank Parsons:** "We can't praise NSW too highly for the way they played. Roma play like true professionals and I, for one, was certainly not disappointed in the match."

★ **APIA fullback Cliff Van Blerk:** "We never should have let in Roma's second goal. The whole action happened so fast that the entire NSW defence was caught flat-footed for one fatal moment."

★ **Ricardo Campana:** "The Romans can play much better. In Italian league matches they are at least three yards faster to the ball. Against this slow Roma, NSW had their chances and we could have won."

★ **Referee Tony Boskovic:** "The Romans were harder to referee than Torpedo or Hapoel Tel Aviv. Don't let anybody tell you they weren't trying. They queried many of my decisions and left no doubt they were flat out to win by as many goals as possible."

— L.G.

THIS WEEKEND'S AMATEUR DRAW

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

First Division

Artarmon v. Manly, Artarmon Reserve.

Second Division

Granville Kewpies v. Ryde, Colquhoun Pk.; East Sydney Atlantic v. NS Inter, Mona Park.

Third Division

Liverpool City v. Yagoona, Woodward Pk.; Gymea v. Willoughby, Seymour Shaw Park; Arncliffe Scots v. Warringah Saints, Cahill Park.

Fourth Division

East Side v. Granville All Stars, Queen's Park; Liverpool Inter v. Blacktown, Jardine Park.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

First Division

Wenty Waratahs v. Concordia, Centenary Park; Marconi v. Lane Cove, Marconi Oval.

Second Division

Lidcombe v. Sydney Uni., Coleman Park; Padstow RSL v. Marrickville, Padstow Oval; Uni. NSW v. Auburn Juniors, David Phillips Oval.

Third Division

Riverside Rapids v. Western Suburbs, Mahoney Pk.; Guildford v. Penrith, Guildford Oval.

Fourth Division

Smithfield v. Bankstown RSL, Smithfield Oval; Dee Why v. Condell Park, Dee Why Oval.

LA FIAMMA ALITALIA

Best and Fairest Player Competition Progress Points

NSW: Watkiss 221, Giacometti 85, Campana 84, Blue 33, Bottalico 33. Kerklaan 24, Muir 19, Sambrook 13, Rorke 8, Nuttall 7.

Vic.: De Marchi 149, Millar 78, Sonsini 20, Scott 18, Milton 16, Gentry 12, Della Rocca 10.

SA: Perin 239, Chiappin 152, Di Bartolo 39, Serafini 27, Herczeg 27, Baggio 13, West 8.

Qld.: Keen 62, Snaith 54, Clemitson 25, Clark 23.

ACT: D'Ambrosio 62, Bimitti 6.

WA: Segon 87.

Tas.: Morosini 30, Zanetto 16, Carnevale 12.

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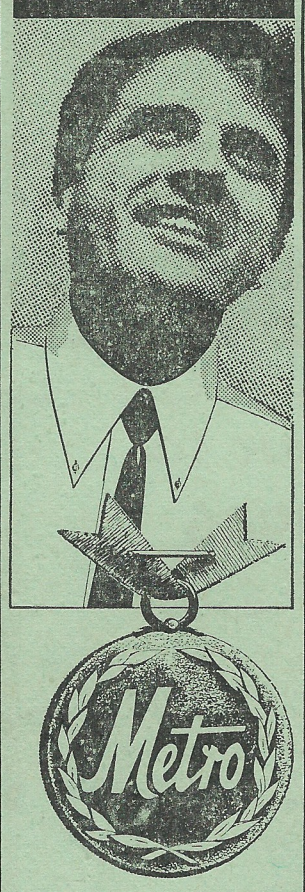

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POSTMORTEM

I've tried to emulate my boyhood idol Ron Lord

– reveals Ian Astill

Every young soccer player should take the advice of South Coast United's teenage goalkeeper Ian Astill and watch the "big boys" in action instead of roaming all over the ground at matches.

Astill has all the attributes except experience to become a top class goalie.

That will come quickly because he is a fast learner.

Constant watching, Ron Lord in particular, has given him good grounding in the science of narrowing shooting angles; devotion to physical fitness and repeated jumping when he played basketball have produced thighs like a light-heavyweight boxer and a jack-in-the-box-spring.

Long of arm and big of hand, he meets danger with a splay-legged stance, jumping jerkily from position to position, with arms curved wide in front of his body like the claws of a foraging crab, but his greatest asset is his speed out of the turn.

At Lambert Park a fortnight ago against APIA he had even the partisan APIA supporters cheering him for the many fine saves he made.

When I congratulated him on a fine display he modestly admitted "he was a bit lucky".

The second goal that APIA scored through Giacometti, Astill thought he had it covered, but the ball landed a few feet in front of him and spun into the net.

Astill is only 18 years old and works as an insurance clerk in Wollongong.

He is a product of the Coniston juniors.

He got his big chance with SCU when Brian Rhodes was injured and has never looked back since.

Astill is very thankful to the man he replaced.

"Rhodes showed me many tricks in the art of goalkeeping", he said.

He also says that South Coast is "a big happy family".

And the club is undoubtedly happy to have a custodian like Astill.

Next time you see him in action, watch him concentrate intently upon the game.

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GERMAN SQUAD HAS NO SURPRISES, BRAZIL DROPS INTER'S JAIR

With the start of the World Cup finals only a month away (July 11), several countries have already announced their initial squads.

The final contingent of 22 players must be in the hands of the organisers by June 30.

The West German squad of 40, announced last week by manager-coach Helmut Schoen, doesn't contain surprises.

As expected, the Germans count on their stars playing in Italy, including Haller and Bruells, both of whom were severely criticised for their showing in Chile in the 1962 series.

Here is the German squad:

Goalkeepers: Tilkowski (Dortmund), Bernard (Bremen), Maier (Bayern), Manglitz (Meiderch), Sawitzki (VfB Stuttgart).

Defenders: Schnellinger (AC Milan), Hottges (Bremen), Weber (Koln), Schulz (Hamburg), Lutz (Frankfurt), Lorenz (Bremen), Patzke (1860 Munchen), Paul (Dortmund), Piontek (Bremen), Sieloff (VfB Stuttgart), Kurbjuhn (Hamburg), Steinmann (Bremen), Heidemann (Meiderich).

Linkmen: Beckenbauer (Bayern), Haller (Bologna), Overath (Koln), Szymaniak (Tasmania Berlin), Trimhold (Frankfurt), Netzer (Moenchengladbach), Ferner (Bremen).

Forwards: Grabowski (Frankfurt), Seeler (Hamburg), Held (Dortmund), Emmerich (Dortmund), Hornig (Koln), Kramer (Meiderich), Brueils (AC Brescia), Libuda (Dortmund), Ulsass (Braunschweig), Grosser (1860 Munchen), Heiss (1860 Munchen), Brunnenmeier (1860 Munchen), Brenninger (Bayern), Konietzka (1860 Munchen), Rupp (Moenchengladbach).

Last week Hungary also announced its initial 40-man squad.

This includes three previously dropped for disciplinary reasons: Sipos, Tichy and Fister.

The squad is:

Goalkeepers: Gelei (Tatabanya), Geczi (Ferencvaros), Rapp (Pecs), Szentmihalyi (Ujpest).

Defenders: Bakos (Vasas), Dunai (MTK), Ihasz (Vasas), Juhos (Tatabanya), Kaposzta (Ujpest), Kiss (Gyor), Marosi (Honved); Mate (Gyor), Matrai (Ferencvaros), Meszoly (Vasas), Orban (Tatabanya), Sipos (Honved), Sovari (Ujpest), Szepesi (Tatabanya).

Linkmen: Dunai (Ujpest), Fister (Vasas), Juhasz (Ferencvaros), Komora (Honved), Mathesz (Vasas), Nagy (MTK), Rakosi (Ferencvaros), Solymosi (Ujpest).

Forwards: Albert (Ferencvaros), Bene (Ujpest), Farkas (Vasas), Fenyvesi (Ferencvaros), Gorocs (Ujpest), Kalmar (Csepel), Korsos (Vasas), Kuharszky (Ujpest), Molnar (Vasas), Nagy (Honved), Puskas (Vasas), Szuromi (Tatabanya), Tichy (Honved), Varga (Ferencvaros).

Brazil's "top 40" offers an interesting study.

It doesn't include Inter Milan's winger Jair or such other stars as Mauro, da Guia or Coutinho.

There are several veterans in the squad who were prominent in the 1958 and 1962 World Cup ventures: Gilmar, Bellini, Djalma Santos, Orlando, Zito, Garrincha and, of course, Pele.

Oddly enough, the squad also includes Dino Sani who for years starred in AC Milan and returned home to Brazil two years ago — ostensibly to "retire".

Here is the Brazilian squad:

Goalkeepers: Gilmar (Santos), Manga (Botafogo), Valdir (Palmeiras), Goncalves (Bangu).

Defenders: Altair (Fluminense), Bellini (Sao Paulo), Brito (Vasco de Gama), Carlos Alberto (Santos), Djalma Dias (Palmeiras), Djalma Santos (Palmeiras), Leonidas (America), Orlando (Santos), Fidelis (Bangu), Henrique (Flamengo), Fontana (Vasco).

Linkmen: Denilson (Fluminense), Dias (Sao Paulo), Dudu (Palmeiras), Fefeu (Sao Paulo), Gerson (Botafogo) Lima (Santos), Rildo (Botafogo), Zito (Santos), Dino (Corinthians), Oldair (Vasco).

Forwards: Alcindo (Porto Alegre), Celio (Vasco), Edu (Santos), Flavio (Corinthians), Garrincha (Corinthians), Jairzinho (Botafogo), Parada (Botafogo), Parana (Sao Paulo), Borges (Bangu), Pele (Santos), Servilio (Palmeiras), Silva (Flamengo), Tostao (Belo Horizonte), Amarildo (AC Milan).

Portugal's 40-strong squad is heavily built on the country's two leading clubs, Benfica and Sporting.

These are the names:

Goalkeepers: Carvalho (Sporting), Costa Pereira (Benfica), Jose Pereira (Belenenses), Americo (Porto).

Defenders: Hilario, Moraish, Pedro Gomez (all Sporting), Cruz (Benfica), Rodriguez (Belenenses), Feste (Porto), Concicao Currico (Setubal), Germano (Benfica).

Linkmen: A. Batista, Jose Carlos (both Sporting), Raul (Benfica), Vicente (Belenenses), Almeida (Porto), Rui Rodrigues (Academica), Medeiros (CUF), Canarpo (Braga).

Forwards: Coluna, Simoes, Augusto, Eusebio, Torres (all Benfica), Peres, Oliveira, Duarte, Figueiredo, Lourenco (all Sporting), Pinto, Nobrega, Jaine (all Porto), Jaime Graca, Carlos Manuel, Jose Maria (all Setubal), Campos, Rocha (Academica), Mendes (Guimaraes), Manuel Duarte (Leixoes).

World Cup stars we have seen here

Quite a few players who figure in the 1965-1966 World Cup elimination matches had appeared in Australia.

Two of them even played with Sydney clubs.

A third, Galeczka of Poland, is now a regular international but didn't actually appear in Poland's matches in their group.

Here is the list:

Switzerland: Odermatt (Basel, 1964).

Northern Ireland: Humphries (Everton, 1964).

Austria: Halla (Rapid, 1955), Nemec (FK Austria, 1957).

Hungary: Matrai, Fenyvesi (both Ferencvaros, 1957), Mathesz (FK Austria, 1957).

Wales: Vernon (Everton, 1964).

USSR: Kavazashvili, Sarayev (Torpedo, 1965).

Greece: Saravakos (Canterbury).

Israel: Shmulovitsch (Hakoah, 1963).

Bulgaria: Diev, Kolev (1956, Olympics).

Czechoslovakia: Popluhar, Schroif, Vencel, Hrdlicka, Horvath, Jokl (Bratislava, 1965).

Scotland: Scott (Everton, 1964).

On top of this, there are some other former "Australian tourists" who are likely to play in the World Cup finals in July.

These are:

England: Armfield (Blackpool, 1958). Bridges (Chelsea, 1965), Labone (Everton, 1964), Osgood, Venables (both Chelsea, 1965).

USSR: Brednev, Maruschko, Andreyuk (Torpedo. 1965).

JUNIOR PLAN RE-EXAMINED

The NSW Federation has been re-examining its attitude to the district representative under 16 and 18 leagues.

These competitions gave great promise, but with some associations failing to field teams and others fielding second and third string players, their objective of building youth footballers is not being fully realised.

A conference with the NSW amateur Association executive and associations showed that the new plan is still under discussion.

- Is it best to attach under 18 teams to senior clubs?
- Should the Inter-District League be rebuilt?
- Can the Metropolitan Championships in under 15 and 18 be replanned to become the proper link between senior and junior football?

All avenues have to be explored, as the long-term future of soccer rests with the development of Australian-trained players.

The committeeroom, too, has to see some reforms shortly.

The Federation Council needs a broadening of attitude to be able to comprehend the place that High Schools, juniors, and amateurs must take in the organisation.

The time is overdue when the Inter-Suburban League obtained a vote.

And is there justification for four divisions of amateur clubs?

There is little doubt that the CHS, PSAAA and NSW Amateurs should be enfranchised, even if only for matters within the schoolboy-junior set up.

The present position extols the fiction that the interests of the clubs in the narrow sense is the only criterion on which a promotion problem can be judged.

Recent soccer history demonstrates that the pattern in education and youth football must be superimposed on the Federation and migrant-orientated set-up.

More dispassionate planning to incorporate all sections of the code is required.

Both Federation and junior officials have to examine their functions, as reappraisal is needed to give the sport a new forward surge.

— KEITH GILMOUR

SING TAO ALL READY

Prague secretary George Warner had received a letter from the Sing Tao club in Hong Kong saying they were ready to leave for Australia at short notice.

Tour arrangements, on the Australian end, however haven't been finalised as only matches in Sydney, Brisbane and perhaps Canberra have been booked firmly at this stage.

SYDNEY PROGRAM

THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

Croatia v. Hakoah	— Erskineville Oval
South Coast v. Corinthians	— Woonona Oval
Canterbury v. Syd. Austral	— Arlington Oval
Granville v. Bankstown	—Macarthur Park

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

Yugal v. Cumberland	— Manly Oval
St. George v. Prague	— Hurstville Oval
Melita Eagles v. Western Utd.	— Macarthur Park
Hornsby-NE. v. Sutherland	— Pennant Hills Oval
Wollongong Ol. v. Polonia-NS	— Balgownie Oval

NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY, JUNE 18th

APIA v. Yugal	— Lambert Park
Pan Hellenic v. Corinthians	— Wentworth Park
Sydney Austral v. Polonia-NS	— SCG No. 2
Bankstown v. Canterbury	— Bankstown Oval

SUNDAY, JUNE 19th

APIA v. Pan Hellenic (postpd. match)	— Wentworth Pk.
South Coast v. Hakoah	— Woonona Oval
Prague v. Croatia	— Marks Field
Cumberland v. St. George	— Mona Park
Western Utd. v. Granville AEK	— Francis Park
Sutherland v. Melita Eagles	— Seymour Shaw Park
Wollongong Ol. v. Hornsby-NE	— Balgownie Oval

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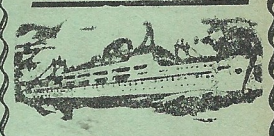

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